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## Notice to Churches and Societies.

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E. L. BATES is moving into his new residence on Silver street.

LAST Friday a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Camp.

N. M. PUFFER is having a concrete walk laid in front of his residence on Union street.

MR. AND MRS. D. J. CROBIN of Brooklyn, are visiting among their old Bennington friends.

ALONZO BENNETT, formerly a resident of Bennington, now of Rochester, N. Y., is visiting in town.

MR. EDGERTON has commenced building a residence on Dewey Avenue just above Mr. Bickford's house.

MISS EMMA HENRY and Hugh Henry Jr., of Chester, are visiting Miss Nellie Coffey at the Soldiers' Home.

ONE hundred and fifty persons went on the excursion and picnic given by St. Peter's church, Thursday, to North Dorset Pond.

MRS. BISHOP, of Oakland, Cal., a sister of the late Frank Weaver, was in town yesterday, on business connected with the estate.

UNDER the direction of Street Commissioners Tuttle, new curbing is being laid around the premises of Dr. F. S. Pratt on South and Union streets.

MOHEGAN TRIBE No. 6, I. O. R. M., will install the newly elected officers this Friday evening. There are five newly elected members to initiate in the order.

MRS. FRED E. WELLS and daughter Gladys, who have been spending the past month at Swampscott, Mass., are now at Bennington, whither Mr. Wells journeyed nightly.—Troy Press.

SERVICES in the Methodist church at the usual hours next Sunday. Morning subject: "Beneficence and Self-Sacrifice, Nothing without Love." Evening subject: "God's Castaways."

OLIM SCOTT who returned from Minneapolis Saturday, brought with him an order for two sets of New England pulp grinders to be shipped to parties in Wisconsin as soon as possible.

MR. F. J. BOYNTON, of Lowell, Mass., traveling auditor of New England Telephone Company, is in town to-day auditing the accounts of the local office which he found to be in an exceptionally good condition.

DEPUTY SHERIFF NASH was the recipient, this morning, of a letter from Mrs. Emma A. Page, in which she said that there had been one hearing in her case, and that the Surrogate had adjourned the same until September 24th.

MRS. H. L. SHIELDS has just had purchased for her use one of the most stylish pair of horses that can be seen on our streets. They were procured in South Wallingford from Chauncey Parris a well known resident of that section.

MISS KATE LEONARD, formerly a teacher in our Graded School, who left a few years since to accept a flattering offer in the city schools of Minneapolis, Minn., is visiting friends in town, on her way to her home in the central part of the State.

THE remains of Daniel Woodworth, who died in Rochester, N. Y., arrived Wednesday morning and were buried in the village cemetery. Rev. S. McLaughlin conducted the services at the grave. The deceased, who was 87 years of age, formerly resided here and is remembered by our older people.

THE Bennington & Rutland and Lebanon Springs roads will run an excursion to Providence Island, Lake Champlain, Friday, the 10th, inst. The fare for the round trip is but \$1.25. Train leaves here at 7:40 a. m., and on the return arrives here at 8:15 p. m. This excursion is an annual affair by these railroads, and is always exceptionally well patronized.

JOHN H. AYRES Jr., left here yesterday morning for a week's visit to friends in Contoocook, N. H. The young man left here on his wheel at 5 a. m. At 8:05 he stopped at the Forest and Stream Club in Wilmington where he was entertained. At 11:15 he was in Brattleboro and expected to be at his destination in the afternoon before dark. He mailed cards at both of the above places.

ETHAN ALLEN, a prominent New York lawyer and literary man, has just completed "Washington, a Drama of the Revolution," which promises much toward keeping alive the great interest now being manifested in that most important event of the world's history. It is of special interest to people of this town from the fact that the Battle of Bennington and the actors therein are given a prominent place in one of the scenes. So generally interesting is it that a wealthy citizen of New York has purchased 10,000 copies to be circulated by himself as a patriotic work. Mr. Allen is of revolutionary ancestry, of the family of the famous hero of Ticonderoga, though not directly descended from him.

ROB HEALEY of D. G. Burt will supply the Troy Sunday Observer.

MRS. HEUSTED of Denver, Col., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Dr. Chisholm.

MISS DAISY MORSE has just closed a successful term of school in Woodford.

READ the Troy Sunday observer announcements posted around the village.

THE Rev. M. L. Severance will officiate at the Soldiers' Home chapel on Sunday at 3:30 o'clock.

MISS ELLA DALEY is attending the Christian Endeavor convention, being held in Boston this week.

E. H. PUTNAM and daughter, Miss Anne, left Wednesday, to join the other members of the family in the Adirondacks.

FRED SMITH will offer his stock of hats, light underwear and summer ties, at extremely low prices, as long as the present stock lasts.

THE Barnes Hose and the Star Hose, both of Burlington, have voted to attend the State Tournament at Fair Haven the 25th, inst.

THE Rev. Chas. R. Seymour of the second Congregational church will speak, Sunday evening, on the Endeavor Convention at Boston.

DIVISION COMMANDER MONAHAN of the Vermont Sons of Veterans, has appointed E. T. Griswold of this village chairman of the committee on charters and rules for the coming year.

"No electric cars will be run to-day. Perhaps to-morrow matters will be so the cars can start," is what an official of the company said to a BANNER representative this morning.

H. W. PUTNAM, JR., arrived here Saturday, for a few days' visit. Wednesday, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moorhouse, he left for his summer home among the waters of Lake Champlain.

MRS. J. M. BURT and son Fred, are visiting friends in the city and suburbs of Boston. Fred is a delegate from the Junior Endeavorers of the Second Congregational church, to the convention now being held in the Hub.

AT the Dewey's, Griswold's, the Soldiers' Home and other places where farming is carried on extensively, haying has been nearly finished and a good crop is reported—much better than reports indicate in many other localities.

THE Springfield Republican of last Sunday contained the following: "A. P. Childs, general agent for the New York Life Insurance Company, paid yesterday, a policy of \$10,000 on the life of the late Sereno Gaylord of Chicopee, which, with dividend additions, amounted to \$13,051.37."

CHAS. S. HUTCHINS, of Chicago, is visiting his relatives and friends in town and will remain till about August 1st. He is connected with the wholesale house of Grommes & Ulrich. He is just recovering from a most severe attack of typhoid fever, having been confined for about ten weeks, to Mercy Hospital in Chicago.

WHILE Charles MacDonald, with another party, was riding his tandem wheel in the streets of Williamstown, Mass., Wednesday, they collided with a post and smashed the front wheel but injuring neither party. They were about to pass a team, when the driver reined towards them and across their pathway, forcing them against the post. They were obliged to come home by team.

THE Sewer Commissioner requests us to say that the hole which caused the accident to E. S. Harris' horse, was, in no way, the result of sewer connections, as no such connection has been made at that point. It seems to have been the result of a connection with the village water mains. Our authority for the statement as we had it, was the occupant of the house where the connection had been made.

THE Boston Globe of Tuesday, had the following from Newtonville, Mass.: "A very pretty wedding took place to-day at high noon, when Mr. Joseph C. Hagar, editor of the Lawrence American, and Miss Alexandrine E. Chisholm were united in marriage. The officiating clergymen were Dr. Wm. W. Foster Jr., of Amsterdam, N. Y., brother-in-law of the bride, and Rev. Wm. G. Babcock, uncle of the groom. After a two weeks' wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Hagar will reside at 59 Milton street, Lawrence, and will be at home after Oct. 1st." The bride is a sister of Dr. Chisholm of this village.

THE complete footings of the lists books show that the total grand list of the town for the year 1895, is \$3,551,308, an income over last year of \$20,120. The grand list of the town outside of the villages is \$975,305, a decrease of \$16,877. The grand list of the village of North Bennington is \$621,423, a decrease of \$7,402. The grand list of this village is \$1,954,580, an increase of \$44,405. The total amount of taxes to be collected by treasurer is, town, \$35,513; village of Bennington, \$11,706; highway tax in the outside districts, \$1,950. There will also be received from the State fund about \$500 additional. The amount of the village highway tax to be collected is \$5,900.

ON and after this date, by order of Chief Engineer Tiffany, three strokes or bells on the fire alarm telegraph, sounded twice, will indicate that the whole Department will respond without apparatus, to Station No. 1, Stark Hose quarters, as quickly as possible. This call is to be used whenever the services of the Department are needed without apparatus. This order has been issued in consequence of the confusion and delay that existed when the Department was called out to assist in the search for the Gallo child. To bring out the fire boys, an alarm was necessarily sounded from one of the boxes, bringing out the carts, etc., and causing considerable loss of time.

HON. E. L. SIBLEY has been appointed assignee of the estate of James S. Lindley, insolvent.

THE marriage of Hubert W. Downs and Miss Helena Middlebrook takes place the 17th, next Wednesday, at 3 o'clock p. m.

THE annual meeting of the Vermont branch of the Women's Auxiliary to the board of missions of the Episcopal church will be entertained this year by the parish of St. Peter's church.

AT the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bennington and Rutland Railroad, E. D. Bennett was elected director, to succeed the late Col. M. S. Colburn. He succeeds to the duties formerly in charge of Mr. Colburn.

THIS afternoon and evening the Drysdale store is closed, and each Friday afternoon hereafter, will be closed at one o'clock, for the benefit of the employees. Each Tuesday afternoon six o'clock is the closing hour. On the 15th, to be continued till the 30th it will be inaugurated another of the "big clearance sales." Read the advertisement on this page. It is running over with news of bargains, so dear to every woman.

TWO young men giving the names of Phillip and Martin Dayton, rented wheels Tuesday, at MacDonald's bicycle agency for an hour's ride. Not being returned the next day, their owner started Wednesday on a search for them. He traced them to Pittsfield, Mass., and there lost trace of them. On his arrival home yesterday, he found that both wheels had been returned in a delapidated condition. It seems that the one giving the name of Martin Dayton, after riding around awhile turned the wheel he had over to a lad by the name of Louis Briggs. Later he and the other Dayton started on their long trip. On their return, Briggs left his wheel on the Agency steps, not desiring an interview with any one inside. Dayton took his wheel into the office. He had but a dollar with which to pay for the two days' use of the wheel and the damages. Mr. MacDonald had had all the trouble of this nature that he desires and arrests will follow. The Dayton family has just moved here from North Adams. Briggs is a resident of the town.

## Correspondence.

EDITOR BANNER:—Barrooms are open in all parts of the village on the Sabbath, but if you should happen to neglect the purchasing of your meats or vegetables for Sunday dinner, the day before, it means a fine or imprisonment for the market man who would dare to accommodate you. "Consistency, thou art a jewel."

## Obituary.

Died in Pownal, at the home of her early years, July 8th, 1895, Mrs. Maggie Bates Bowen, aged 41.

ABOUT four months ago, Mrs. Bowen was taken ill with a Grippe, but after several weeks of suffering, convalesced to such an extent that, greatly desiring the companionship of her mother, she left her home in Bennington, where most of her married life of eighteen years has been spent, and went to her brother's home in Pownal, hoping amid such favorable surroundings to be restored to health. Instead of this she failed rapidly, although tenderly cared for by the members of her family. For the past two years Mr. F. L. Bowen has been in business in Brooklyn, N. Y., with the firm of A. D. Matthews and Sons, where he expected this fall to have a re-united family circle.

Mrs. Bowen was a woman of great firmness of character and sound judgment. To the aged mother who has so tenderly watched over her during her last sickness, to the devoted husband and daughter, just reaching young womanhood; to the little boy of tender years, too young to realize the meaning of the word, motherless, this is an irreparable loss whose length and breadth cannot be measured by words. By the large circle of friends who knew and loved her she will be sadly missed, for she was kind and unselfish. Several years ago she was converted and united with the Baptist church, and in this trying time of suffering, when faith was sorely tested, proved the consolation of the religion of Jesus. The funeral at her childhood's home was very largely attended, nearly all the family relatives being present. The service was conducted by the Rev. Phillip Götzel, an old friend of the family. Mrs. Bowen's pastor having recently removed from Bennington. The floral offerings were numerous and filled the rooms with their sweet fragrance.

Her pall bearers were Mr. Bowen's four brothers. She is quietly sleeping by the side of her father and other loved ones in the beautiful cemetery of Oak Hill. "O'er life's sea she has reached its noon, Gone with us so much to live for, Hopes fondly cherished, blighted so soon. Oh, not thus would we have had it, Who sought to detain her here, Who tried by all means to restore her To the loved ones she held so dear. Through the long weary months of watching, 'Mid the sick-room's shadow and gloom, We have earnestly prayed, Father spare her, Teach us now to say, 'Thy will be done. It is not for Maggie we are grieving, She is safe in the Home-land of Heaven. To those who on earth must linger, Are our tears of sympathy given. The sad mother so aged and weary, Will soon reach the peerly gate, 'Mother we shall not long be parted, Are the words Maggie uttered of late. To Andria and dear little Orrin, The children of a fond mother's care, Learn to trust, though you may understand not, 'Tis so hard to do and to bear."

It is written: "Are they not ministering spirits?" As your guardian angel, loved ones, she will guide you from earth to Heaven. When the mists have rolled away faith fondly whispers: We shall meet no more life's weary path to roam; With no minor notes to mingle with the carol, We shall sing Heaven's glad home sweet home. CON.

## Bicycle Races To-morrow.

Weather permitting, the ten mile road race, under the direction of the Bicycle Club, will take place to-morrow at 5 p. m., as advertised, except that the start

## STRAW HATS!

In order to clean up the balance of our better grades of Straw Hats, we have reduced the price on all the 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25 grades to

50c

so that if you want a straw hat now is the time to buy it, as everything is 50c—none of them any more.

These are all new and good style hats—no old ones—as you will see by calling. This price is made on these hats in order to clean up our stock, as we do not believe in carrying over to another year a single straw hat.

## BURT BROS.,

CLOTHIERS AND FURNISHERS,

447 and 451 Main Street,

BENNINGTON, Vt.

and finish will be near the Soldiers' Home grounds, just below the Glastenbury Railroad track, instead of in the main streets. Nearly all of the speedy riders of the town—and there are many—are entered. Much interest is manifested, and some good racing is "promised." What will make the event of additional interest is the large number of untried riders who will try for a place prize, the handicapping being arranged with a special view of encouraging them in the attempt. This race should result in bringing out more racing material. There are a number of speedy riders in town, but there is material for more. The prizes are now displayed in the window of E. N. Squires' store. They are as follows: Time prizes: (for five riders covering course in shortest time).—No. 1, Dressing case, presented by the Bennington Bicycle Agency Co.; No. 2, chair, rocker, J. Ed. Walbridge; No. 3, bicycle lantern, C. W. MacDonald; No. 4, traveling companion, Van Vleck & Potter; No. 5, bicycle marker, with winner's name engraved, F. M. Squire. Place prizes, for five reaching finish first: No. 1, bicycle suit, presented by C. G. Cole; No. 2, silk umbrella, Drysdale & Son; No. 3, bicycle shoes, John Evans; No. 4, cyclometer, C. W. MacDonald; No. 5, bicycle bell, C. W. MacDonald.

## The Firemen's Convention and Tournament.

The local committee of arrangements has nearly completed the preparations for the coming convention and tournament of the State Firemen's Association at Fair Haven Wednesday and Thursday, the 24th and 25th. The water commissioners have laid a pipe from the village to Fairmount Park and placed a hydrant there. A large iron tank is to be sunk into the ground, from which the engine will take water for their contest which will be in plain sight of the grand stand. Every preparation is being made to fully entertain the large crowd that will be present. Meals will be served in the large hall on Fairmount Park. One hundred houses have been engaged. Cots for sleeping will be placed in the hall and large front rooms in the Culver block, and various halls will be fitted for sleeping apartments. Merchants and citizens generally are planning for the decorating of their buildings. A large arch will be erected from some point on Main street. From its top will be an electrical display the first evening.

Already there are enough hand engines entered for the contests to show that they will be interesting. The committee meets this week to make out the final programme.

## For Road Commissioners Only.

THE BANNER Office has just issued a new supply of order books for Road Commissioners' use, good for any town. They are neatly printed on good paper, firmly bound, of a size convenient for the pocket, are of two thicknesses, one of fifty orders retailing for 25c, and one of a hundred orders retailing for 35c. Sent postpaid on receipt of price, 50c

## JULY CLEARANCE SALE

AT THE

## Busiest Store on the Busiest Block of Bennington's Busiest Street.

Fifteen days of bargains—from July 15th to 31st. All goods are bright, fresh and new, quantities large and prices just as advertised.

## SILKS.

	SALE PRICE
85c Spangle Gilt Drapery Silks,	63c
75c Washable Silks,	59c
50c Crepe Gaufré Silks	39c
50c Dresden Figure Silks	43c
50c Jap. Drapery Silks,	39c
62½c Colored China Silks,	49c
1.25 Black Faille Francaise,	98c
1.25 Black Satin Rhadame,	95c

## DRESS GOODS.

62½c Black Wool Henrietta, 45-in.	49c
75c Black Wool Storm Serge, 45-in.	62½c
65c Black Wool Imperial Serge,	45-inch,
45-inch,	49c
50c Black Brocade Mohairs,	39c
62½c Novelty and Fancy Mixtures	45c
75c " " " "	50c
1.00 Crepons—colors only,	74c
1.25 Brondcloth (black, navy, cardinal)	80c
50c Mohair Sicilian,	39c
25c Diagonals—36-inch,	15c

## RUGS.

Oriental Jap. Rugs, 7x10 feet, were	\$10.00, now 8.00.
Oriental Jap. Rugs, 9x12 feet, were	\$13.50, now 10.00.
Oriental Jap. Rugs, 6x6 feet, were	\$6.00, now 4.00.
Oriental Jap. Rugs, 3x6 feet, were	\$2.75, now 1.98.

## LININGS.

All Wool Moreen Skirting, worth 50c,	now 48c.
Linen Grass Cloth worth 13c, now 9c.	
Best Hair Cloth worth 35c, now 19c.	
Best Imitation Hair Cloth worth 25c,	now 15c.
Fast Black Moire Skirting worth 15c,	now 10c.
Best Cross-bar Crinoline worth 12½c,	now 9c.
Herring Bone Hair Cloth, imitation,	worth 12½c, now 8½c.

## EVERYTHING FOR SUMMER WITH PRICES

MELTED BY THE HOT WEATHER.

## DETACHED VALUES.

Brown Cotton, yard wide, good for 5c, we say 3½c	
Black Cotton, yard wide, good for 7½c, we say 5c	
Table cloth, perfect 45-inch, good for 15c, we say 12½c	
Shaker Flannel, good for 8c, we say 5½c	
Cheviot Shirtings, good for 10c, we say 6½c	
Cotton Batting, good for 1½c, we say 8½c	
Silkoline, full yard wide, good for 12½c, we say 8½c	
Japanese Fused Crepe, good for 35c, we say 16½c	
Oriental Drapery, good for 30c, we say 20c	
Chintz and Cretonne, fine and heavy, good for 15c we say 10½c	
Upholstery Fust, all colors, 25 inch, good for \$1, we say 60c	
Derby Table Covers, good for 2 ½, we say 1 ½	
Cheviot Table Covers, full size, good for 1 ½, we say 80c	
Blankets, white or grey, full size, good for 75c, we say 40c	
Blankets, white crib, good for 50c, we say 35c	

## LADIES' FURNISHINGS.

Waists, white dimity.....	were \$2.50, now 1 98
Waists, dark small figures.....	were 2 00, now 1 48
Silk Waists, dark small figures.....	4 00, now 2 80
Diets of plain Surah, China.....	4 75, now 3 39
Diets of changeable stripe Taffeta.....	6 50, now 4 39
Diets of pink and light blue Gaufré.....	5 00, now 3 45
Washable Waists—	
Pongee, navy and black.....	were 1 25, now 98c
White Lawn.....	1 25, now 98c
Swivel Silks.....	2 25, now 1 75
Best Laundered Percales.....	1 19, now 98c
Best Indigo and black Prints.....	48c, now 30c
Wrappers—	
Best Indigo Prints.....	were 95c, now 75c
Percale or satin.....	1 25, now 98c
Fine Percale, lace trim.....	1 90, now 1 19
Fine Jaconet, lace trim.....	2 00, now 1 49
Vests—	
Jersey Ribbed, full shaped, were 15c, now 9c	
Very fine.....	were 25c, now 19c
Lace trimmed.....	were 30c, now 25c
Skirts, fast color, Seersucker.....	were 50c, now 35c
Chemise, newest shapes.....	were 25c, now 15c
Haltering Hose.....	were 10c, now 5c
Sun Umbrellas, navy and cardinal, 3 25, now 2 25	
Black.....	were 50c, now 35c

## CARPETS.

Good China Mattings 9c, were 12½c; good Tapestry Brussels Carpet 45c, were 60c; Floor Oil Cloths 10c, were 20c; Linoleum, extra heavy, 48c, were 62½c; Hair Carpet, 18 inch ingrain, 10c, were 20c; Ingrain Carpet, yard wide, all wool, 48c, were 60c; Ingrain Carpet, yard wide, best, made, 50c, were 62½c; Ingrain Carpet, yard wide, 35c, were 45c; Matted Rugs, new patterns, 65c, were 80c; Carpet Linings, best corrugated, 25c, were 35c.

## Window and Door Fixings.

Fringed shades, best Opaque, ready for use, 30c, were 50c; Curtain Poles, new patterns, 24c, were 30c; Curtain Poles, white enamel, 50c, were 75c; Curtain Sides, 38 inch, 35c, were 50c; Curtain Swives, tambooured white, 16c, were 25c; Curtain Nets, dotted or figure, 25c, were 30c; Lace Curtains—Tambooured Swiss, 22 ½c, were 35c; Nottingham, \$1 48, were 2 00; now \$1 98, were 2 75; Cheviot, \$3 48, were 4 50; now \$1 98, were 5 50; Derby Curtains, \$5 00, were 6 50; Beaded Bamboo Curtains, 98c, were \$1 30; Screen Doors, ornamental hard wood, 98c, were \$1 25; Screen Doors, imitation hard wood, 60c, were 80c.

## WASH GOODS.

	Reg. Price.	Now
Dress Gingham,	10c	6½c
Dress and Apron Gingham 8c		4½c
Printed Batistes,	8c	5c
Crepons and Plisse,	12½c	9½c
Cheese Cloth, all colors,	6½c	3½c
White Check Nainsooks,	8c	3½c
Best Indigo Prints,	7c	5c
Swivel Gingham,	25c	15c
Jaconets (big assortment),	18c	12½c
Colored Dot Swisses,	20c	16½c
Lace Stripe Gingham,	15c	10c
Pongees, floral effects, dark ground,	18c	12½c
White Dimities, plain or dotted,	25c	20c
White Dimities,	20c	16½c
Percales, best make, 36 in.	16½c	12½c
Outing Flannels,	8c	4½c
Red and Black Prints,	6½c	3½c

## SUITS, CAPES, JACKETS.

Duck Suits, now 8½c, were \$19.3  
Duck Suits, now \$1.98, were 3.00.  
Cloth Suits, now \$7.30, were 10.00 to 13.00.  
Capes, now \$1.98, were 5.00 to 12.00.  
Capes, now \$3.30, were 6.00 to 8.00.  
Jackets, now \$3.00 to 5.00, were 5.00 to 10.00.

## LINENS, &amp;C.

Bleached Damask Tabling, was 1.00, now 75c.  
Bleach Damask Tabling, was 1.19, now 89c.  
Half-bleach Damask Tabling, was 50c, now 40c.  
Half-bleach Damask Tabling, was 35c, now 25c.  
Turkey Red Damask Tabling—special—was 39c, now 25c.  
Crashes, all grades, that were 12½c, now 9c; were 10c, now 7½c; were 15c, now 11c.  
Counterpanes, special value, were 75c now 59c. Marseilles pattern were 1.65, now 1.29.  
Towels, fine large bleach damask, were 35c, now 25c.

## Notions, Knick Knacks

ETC., ETC.

Whitcomb Casing, all colors, per piece now 5c were 10c.  
Vel